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February 20, 2002

Georgia Lund Wells Fargo Bank 66 South Main Pleasant Grove, Utah 84062

Re:	Authorization for Partial Release of Reclamation Surety, Certificates of Deposit
	(Clifton Mining Company, Clifton Exploration / Kiewit Project, E/045/0/52)
	and (American Consolidated Mining Company, Yellow Hammer Project,
	M/045/019), Tooele County, Utah

Dear Ms. Lund:

Wells Fargo Bank is presently holding two Certificates of Deposit for the benefit of the State of Utah, Division of Oil, Gas and Mining as a form of reclamation surety for Clifton Mining Company's Clifton/Kiewit Exploration project and American Consolidated Mining Company's Yellow Hammer project. The Clifton/Kiewit CD \_\_\_\_\_\_\_s in the amount of \$17,600.00 and the Yellow Hammer project CD \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is in the amount of \$10,500.

American Consolidated Mining Company (ACMC) was the original operator of record for both of these projects. The reclamation sureties were originally posted with the Division for both sites by ACMC through First Security Bank. IMM-Dworkin Holdings LTD, an Ohio Company, originally entered into a business agreement with ACMC to provide funding for these projects. When ACMC failed to repay IMM according to the conditions of their Escrow Agreement, IMM-Dworkin exercised its foreclosure option. Effectively, all rights, including ACMC's deed and title to these mining properties were transferred to IMM-Dworkin. The Division accepted the transfer of the permits for these projects on January 7, 2002 and February 15, 2002, respectively.

IMM-Dworkin recently reclaimed the disturbances associated with both project areas. The new operator has asked the Division to return the reclamation sureties held for these projects for reimbursement of their reclamation costs (see attached release notification letter). Because the projects have been transferred to IMM-Dworkin, and they are now the owner of the properties, the Division will honor their request and hereby authorizes partial release of the sureties. A portion will need to be retained to assure revegetation success.

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Division and Bureau of Land Management staff have inspected both sites and confirmed that the reclamation work has been satisfactorily performed. This letter hereby authorizes full release of CI the amount of \$10,500, plus accrued interest and partial release of funds from CD to reduce the face value of this surety to no less than \$9,100 dollars.

Please forward these funds directly to the attention of: Ms. Jenny Weibel, IMM-Dworkin, 23205 Mercantile Road, Beachwood, Ohio 44122. Her telephone number is: (216) 595-1740, extension #12. We understand that a 3-month interest penalty may apply for early withdrawal of the certificates.

When this transaction has been accomplished, please furnish us with written confirmation that appropriate funds have been released to IMM-Dworkin. The confirmation should also indicate that the \$9,100 surety balance will be held for the benefit of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, until we authorize final release of the remaining funds, once the revegetation standards are achieved.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mary Ann Wright at (801) 538-5306, or Wayne Hedberg at (801) 538-5286. Again, thank you for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Lowell P. Braxton

Director

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Attachment: 1/10/2002 release letter

cc: Jenny Weibel, IMM-Dworkin Holdings LTD

Keith Moeller, ACMC/Clifton Mining Company Mike Ford, BLM - Salt Lake Field Office

Mary Ann Wright, OGM

Wayne Hedberg, OGM

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